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Real estate rising

By Ceilidh McClurg

Like the ripples of a rising wave, Didsbury's real estate market is feeling the effects of a rising market in the larger urban centres.

Real estate agents from the three major dealers in town are reporting basically the same kind of outcome for their 1998 year - hot.

At Remax, Dan Peters reports that his sales as compared to the same period last year have risen about 25%. And that was coming off a year in 1997 which was 10% higher than 1996.

Peters suspects that there are a number of reasons for this. First and foremost is the relationship between the local markets and Calgary's booming market.

"We are extremely influenced by the Calgary market," says Peters.

It is often those in that Calgary market that are heading into smaller communities for any number of reasons, including the atmosphere, the feeling of safety, and the proximity to major centres such as Calgary and Red Deer.

Sarah Konschuh, Peters' counterpart at Realty World, would agree.

She says, "There is a slow progression of people moving from the city." Didsbury offers better dollar value compared to the high priced Calgary market.

However, Peters adds, that is not to say Didsbury is attracting only commuters. He says that he has found that most people coming to Didsbury are here to be a



IT'S A SWEEP

The Men's Open Bonspiel, held Dec. 2-5 at the Didsbury Curling Rink, was a great success. Over 20 rinks travelled to Didsbury from Crossfield and Red Deer, to join in the action. A banquet and awards ceremony followed the full day of curling on Saturday.

Photo by Nicole Smith

part of the community.

Nor is Didsbury attracting only retirees, says Peters.

At Remax, he estimates that 80 to 85% of home sales are to families with children.

John Linitski, of Royal Lepage is finding the same track at that agency. "I think the bulk of the increase has been people moving into town from outside."

All three agree that the housing in the most demand at present is single family homes in the affordable range.

Konschuh says that although she has only been in real estate for one year, this was a good one to start in.

"It has definitely been a good year and an interesting year," she says.

So what's the allure to Didsbury?

All three agents say facilities

such as the hospital and the Memorial Complex have been big selling points for them.

But, it is also the atmosphere.

"People see Didsbury as an opportunity to live in a small town and actually get to know your neighbor and not just to be a suburb or an extension of someone else." Didsbury is distinct.

The volume of houses as well as the prices of homes are feeling the ripple effects of the positive year.

The median cost of a home was about \$95,000 this past year at Remax.

In the lower end housing it is estimated that prices have gone up approximately 20% since 1996 or 1997.

In 1995, a home on market for \$65,000 could not sell. This year, that very home sold for

\$85,000 without a problem.

In somewhat of a contrast, the higher end homes sales are up, but prices are remaining pretty much stable from last year.

Peters describes it as, "An even market," in terms of buyers and sellers.

In comparison with Olds and Carstairs, the realtors are of differing opinions and different perspectives.

Konschuh says she can draw some comparisons between Didsbury and Olds but only enough to say that Didsbury has a strong market for its relative size to the much larger town of Olds.

Linitski believes Didsbury and Carstairs are about equal in the home sales and market prices.

Peters says he doesn't deal

much out of town and is unsure of any comparison.

But all three agree that Didsbury is certainly holding its own as the small town real estate markets between Calgary and Red Deer rise with the economic tide.

It is not just in residential sales that are reflecting a good economy. It is also in the new starts of homes and businesses.

In October, the town director of planning and development, Robert Wigg, announced that Didsbury's value of construction, including everything from commercial construction to garages, had more than doubled over last year and was at about \$5.5 million. At last report, that number was in the \$5.8 million range.

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Tax penalty requests answered ... and other county council notes

Plow pace

After much discussion, council agreed to purchase four new trucks under their capital equipment replacement schedule policy, and to tender out for some new heavy equipment. However, before the final decision was made, council discussed the possibility of purchasing a new snow plow or grader so as to speed up the process of clearing up the roads during the snowy season. Much debate took place around the table but Reeve Pat James said, "If we try to impress ratepayers with the speed of snow removal, we'll be about as successful as trying to regulate the hours of snowfall." It was decided to accept the original motion, however the other plow or grader discussion could come back to the table at a later date.

RCMP request funds

The Sundre area has found itself in need of some support at their local RCMP detachment. An area with relatively high crime in comparison with its size, an no required municipal support, they feel that they would like to hire a new clerk at their office. However only towns with a 2500 population are required to put any money towards the RCMP policing. Sundre has a population of 2028. Therefore all of their detachment's personnel resources are funded at a level of 70% federal funding and 30% provincial. They have found that there is a need for an additional clerk because there is only one to support seven uniformed officers, but no money to hire one. They have asked the county to help fund that position, probably on an ongoing basis. According to the information and statistics provided to council, Sundre had the highest amount of activity with the least amount of resources. Councillors asked County commissioner, Harold Johnsrude if it was commonplace to ask a county to help support. Johnsrude explained that although it is not often, the County of Clearwater finan-

cially assists the Rocky Mountain House detachment. Council said they felt that they did not have enough information to commit dollars, so they asked that the RCMP come to the next council meeting and make a presentation. The motion was tabled.

Please forgive me

Council had a couple remaining tax penalty forgiveness requests to deal with at their last meeting. In one instance, the property owner's mailing address had changed, and they therefore did not receive their tax bill. Because most of the councillors felt that it was the property owner's responsibility to be sure the county had the correct mailing address, they denied the request.

However, in the future, council has agreed that there should be some statement on the actual tax bill warning residents that they need to keep their mailing address up to date in the county's file because the county will not be held responsible for late payment penalties in those instances.

The second case involved \$169 in tax penalties. The property owner had properly filed an appeal, however, it somehow did not get to the assessment appeal board in time for a timely payment. Therefore, the county council felt that it was their error and agreed to waive the tax penalties on the property.

The third case was also a mistake by the county because a property owner had received some misinformation about the mailing of his tax notice. Therefore council forgave his penalties in the amount of \$210.

Council won't participate

Council chose not to appoint any representative to the Parkland Airshed Management Zone committee. Reeve Pat James stated that although there had been a representative from the county in the past, he felt that there are other or-

ganizations in the area that are accomplishing the same task, at less cost, and with more grassroots participation.

Pitched out

Any idea of donating to Pitch In Canada was pitched out at the last council meeting. Council had been asked before for a donation to the program, however they felt that they wanted more information on how the money was spent and where. Pitch In Canada responded with a letter, but were unable to detail the exact dollar amount allotted to Mountain View County. Some councillors said that they would rather spend their donation money supporting programs like the local 4-H Highway Clean-up when they know exactly where their money is going. Council unanimously denied the \$350 request.

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Let's hear music

Mountain View County will again donate \$500 to the Olds and District Kiwanis Music Festival. Last year the council donated the money and then issued a challenge to Chinook's Edge School Division to meet or beat their donation. Chinook's Edge did, and the county decided to support the festival again this year.

Job done

The job of applying 800 feet of chip seal along the road adjacent to the Olds/Didsbury Airport is complete, according to the county public work's superintendent, Bill Merchant.

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Internet tool for communication

By Ceilidh McClurg

The newly refreshed school board held their first meeting with school councils from across the jurisdiction.

They touched briefly on a number of topics during the three and half hour long meeting, but seemed to continually come back to the same theme - communication.

"Communication is the name of the game," said new board chair and local trustee, Roy Brassard.

He said that the new board would not dwell on the problems with communication in the past but would move ahead into the future. He also added, "We've have gone through quite a transition period."

Assistant superintendent, Jim Gibbons agreed and added, "Communication is always a challenge." However, he and Brassard touched on how they would attempt to create a better path of communication between the board, the trustees, the schools, the school councils, and the communities.

One of the newest steps in the process is the creation and utilization of a web site where anyone will be able to access all kinds of information about the board, including the highlights of the board minutes. They suggested for parents who do not have computers at home, if they went to the school and asked, the school could print them off.

One of the parents in attend-

ance asked about putting the board's monthly agencies on the site in advance so that parents or council members could attend if they saw something that interested them. Administration of the board said they would take all of this into consideration.

Other topics discussed at the meeting was the budgeting process for the 1999/2000 school year. Board treasurer Susan Roy, reported that the finance department will begin to meet central office this month to make some spending decisions. Then, in January they hope to be prepared to meet with the board. On Feb. 17, the proposed budget would then be brought back to a joint school councils meeting for more input.

Market a reflection of economy

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Along these lines, the Canadian Mortgage and Housing Company reports that this is the trend across Alberta, British Columbia and Ontario, both in new building and in sales.

They predict that by the end of 1998, there will have been 314,100 Multiple Listing Service sales.

So, property is being eaten up across the province, and so

too in Didsbury.

Linitski says that from what he has experienced, most of the available lots in town were already sold or built on. Wigg would coincide with this.

If these three realtors could look into their crystal balls and predict the future for the market in 1999, what would it be?

Konschuh cautiously and excitedly says she is looking forward to next year.

Linitski says he believes that prices have hit their ceiling for this community.

Peters is of the mind, "1999 has the potential to be as busy as 1998. We are expecting a busy spring."

Everyone in the real estate industry is cautious not to call, what Didsbury experienced in 1998, a boom. Peters likes to call it, "A healthy and positive market."



Local RCMP Notes

Fog causes foul-up

Thick fog and icy roads got the best of a man driving north out of town on 23 Ave. when he ran broadside into the caboose of a train.

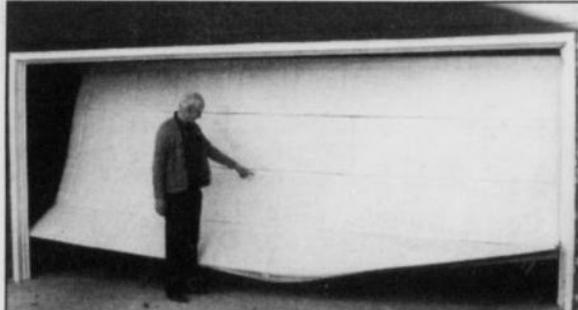
The driver was the only occupant of the vehicle and escaped the accident with no injuries.

Police report that heavy fog that morning in combination with slippery road conditions were contributing factors.

Campaign cons

Following a complaint from a woman in Cremona who had a male attempt to enter her residence claiming to be canvassing for the Canadian Institute for the Blind, RCMP have issued a warning to all area residents. In conversations with CNIB, the police have ascertained that although its organization does do occasional door to door canvassing, they currently do not have any active campaigns in the Didsbury/ Carstairs/ Cremona area. It is suspected that these canvassers are fraudulent as they have also been using the name of the Boys and Girls Club in an attempt to collect resident's money. Boys and Girls Club does not canvass door to door.

The public is advised that if they are unsure of any soliciting being done in your area to contact the agency before directly before donating, or obtain literature so that a possible donation may be made at a latter date, or contact the RCMP in your detachment area.



Gord Gilson points to the senseless damage someone did to his garage door last Wednesday in the very early morning hours. Gilson, who lives at 1306 23 St., awoke the next morning to find the badly beaten up door and called police. Police report that there were track marks all over the place and it appears someone may have been stunting. It is suspected to have been someone local and police are asking for the public's assistance in finding the culprits. If you have any information please call the local detachment at 335-3382 or call Crimestoppers.

Innisfail man charged with high tech child porn crimes

By Ceilidh McClurg

An internet child pornography distribution operation was busted in Innisfail last week.

Innisfail RCMP were tipped off that explicit material was being downloaded off the internet by a computer in their town.

The tip came from a group in the US who monitors this type of activity on the world wide web. When they discovered that there were large amounts of pornographic material involving children being downloaded to this specific address, they



TUNE UP

The Didsbury High School Christmas Dessert Concert, held last Sunday, performed for an audience of over 100 people. After over an hour of festive music, the spectators were treated to homemade desserts, prepared by the parents of the band students.

Photos by Nicole Smith



immediately phoned the local area Innisfail RCMP.

"It almost came in like a Crimestoppers tip from the United States of America," says Cpl. Ed Plitz.

There were also explicit conversations taking place from the computer in question.

Once the Innisfail detachment had the information they called in the Edmonton RCMP Commercial Crime Unit and the Edmonton City Police's Technological Crime Unit.

For a month the investiga-

tion continued, until they were able to obtain a search warrant for the residence where the material was traced back to.

Upon execution of that warrant, all the computer equipment was seized and has been sent to Edmonton for analysis, and the investigation continues.

Eric Hughes, of Innisfail, has been charged with possession of child pornography material and is scheduled to appear in Red Deer Provincial Court on Jan. 26.

EDITORIAL/ OPINIONS

Underneath the sugar coating



Ceilidh
McCLURG

A couple of weeks ago as I was researching a comment made by the local health region's Chief executive officer about doing an overall review at the local hospital, something sat uneasy with me.

The staff at the hospital, including the doctors had no idea that this review was being done, nor did they know how it might affect them.

So, when the story came out in the newspaper, they were rightfully upset and worried.

To my way of thinking, if the explanation to the employees had been done long before I ever found out about it, there would have been a lot less havoc. Instead of trying to cover tracks, perhaps the region could have made the tracks in the first place and all would have been understood clearly.

The situation that has caused all the stir is the fact that our local hospital will be undergoing a total program review because the region has asked the province to provide funding for them to build a new pod onto the hospital or renovate the old auxiliary hospital. When such a capital request is made, it is required that a total examination of the hospital be done, this means examining the use of all areas of the hospital.

Despite the fact that the review is being done for that reason, there is still some likelihood that the hospital would lose acute care beds, because in the region's own words, it is only running at 49% occupancy. It is very likely that those beds, which are used for in-patients, such as emergencies, surgery recoveries, or any other primary care, will be rearranged. So technically, the hospital wouldn't lose any beds, they would just be rearranged. But, still that means losing acute care beds.

The argument could be made that it is a waste of money to have a section of the hospital running at such a low percentage of occupancy. If you are only looking at straight statistics and number, this would seem to be true. But, according to the doctors, the very doctors who work upwards of 70 hours a week and see the actual goings on at the local hospital, they are being used.

Sure, there may be times when it is empty, but there are also times when it is so full, patients have to be sent to other regions, and since the system is based on statistics and numbers, just imagine the money our region would lose when local patients' health care dollars are going to the region north or south.

Besides, that argument just doesn't sit quite right with me. That is like saying that you have owned a house for 40 years, and your smoke detector only went off once, therefore in straight statistics you've only used that smoke detector a minute percentage, but is it a waste of money?

The other immeasurable issue, that probably won't be taken into account with the outside consulting firm hired to conduct this review, is the level of confidence of the public in our local hospital. With less and less primary care, the public will inevitably feel that they are not being taken care of at the local hospital, and then again will go into other larger regions. The more that happens, the lower the usage of the current beds, and a destructive circle begins.

But, all of this is besides the most important point - the doctors. Our local doctors have publicly stated that not only would it be increasingly difficult to attract doctors to the community because of a reduction in primary health care, it would also be difficult to keep the present ones. In a community that values its health, its doctors, and its hospital, residents are unlikely to be sedated by all the fancy talk that is being offered as explanation.

The bottom line is that acute care is in danger, and thus, so is our hospital and our community.



Collisions are no "accident"

Notes from the desk of the County Mountie

While out on the highways and roads in the County I am often told by drivers that they don't think traffic enforcement is important. I am surprised to hear that some of you feel the police have better things to do than enforce the speed limits and stop signs. Because of this I feel there are a few things you may be interested to know as tax payers and residents of Alberta. If you are one of those persons who think traffic enforcement is a "cash cow" I hope this will change your mind.

Traffic Collision Facts:

In 1996 there were 349 people killed and 22,268 injured in collisions in Alberta. We call these "collisions" rather than "accidents" because the term accident implies unforeseen circumstances and a lack of predictability and suggests a lack of individual responsibility. Most traffic "accidents" can be predicted and prevented. How weak does "I didn't see it coming" or "We couldn't have done anything about it" sound?

In 1996 Alberta automobile insurers paid \$900 million to settle motor vehicle collision claims. This would not include policing costs, damage to vehicles that are self-insured or the cost of medical treatment for the occupants of the "at fault vehicle."

In Alberta every year 85,000 collisions occur costing \$10,000,000 a day in total societal cost (health care, property damage, lost productivity).

It's a mystery that most people don't find these figures outrageous. A big part of road safety is attitude and behaviour - what a driver does behind the wheel. Here are some facts that might interest you:

Where and when do collisions happen?

- 75% of deaths and injuries occur in collisions less than 40 km from home.

- The majority of collisions causing death and injury happen on dry roads.

- 73% of fatal collisions happen in rural Alberta.

- 81% of non-fatal collisions and property damage occur in urban areas.

- In 1996, the highest number of fatal collisions occurred in December.

- Most collisions happen on Fridays, but Saturday is the day when the most fatal collisions happen.

- Afternoon rush hour is the time of day when most collisions occur.

Who is involved?

Collision victims:

Fatalities - drivers, 53%; passengers, 29%; pedestrians, 10%.

Injuries - drivers, 58%; passengers, 32%; pedestrians, 5%.

- In 1996, there were 11 people killed in collisions in-

volving motorcycles.

- Motorcycle drivers under the age of 25 are most likely to be involved in casualty collisions.

- It is a common belief that most collisions are caused by "bad" drivers. In fact Insurance Bureau of Canada statistics show that in 1996 almost 50% of collisions were caused by so called "preferred" drivers - drivers who qualified for the best rates available from their insurance companies.

What usually causes collisions?

- Follow too close, 22%, 18,700

- Ran off road, 15%, 12,750

- Left turn across path of oncoming traffic, 11%, 9,350

- Stop sign violation, 9%, 7,650

- Disobeyed traffic signal, 9%, 7,650

- Left of center, 3%, 2,550

- Failed to yield right of way to pedestrian, 3%, 2,550

- Improper lane change, 3%, 2,550

- Backed unsafely, 2%, 1,700

- Yield sign violation, 2%, 1,700

- Failed to yield right of way at uncontrolled intersection, 2%, 1,700

- Improper turn, 2%, 1,700

- Improper passing, 1%, 850

- Other, 16%, 13,600.

Remember "speed" is often a contributing factor in many of these events.

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Minor hockey responds to expressed concerns

Dear Editor,

This is in response to the letter to the editor entitled "Disgusted with DMH."

I am not here to dispute this persons view of the actions that took place on the ice at the game in question. I was not there. However, it was brought immediately to my attention and I did spend some time investigating the matter. The issue has long since been resolved, and at this point there have no serious repercussions.

However, I am here to respond to one issue that was brought up in the aforementioned article. No one in the

stands has the view of the referee on the ice. Hockey is a game played at a speed not immediately comprehensible to the average person who is not on the ice. Therefore, the officials decisions must be made at the same speed. Not only is it not fair to condemn an official for his/her judgement on a play that we may have only witnessed a portion of, but it is extremely unfair to drag this persons conduct into the open and all too willing eyes of the general public that already views hockey as a "savage sport."

It is the general feeling of

the coaches and parents in our association that we are extremely lucky to have the quantity and quality of officials in our association that we now do. These individuals sacrifice their valuable time for a financial reward of an average of about \$4/hour. A wage that most of us would dispute isn't fair for many jobs that would place nowhere near the amount of stress on our systems. I, along with other members of the executive would like to take this time to thank the officials in our association for their continued support of our game here in town. Without you, our game could not exist.

Furthermore, if any of you have any concerns with Didsbury Minor Hockey, or its officials, please feel free to air your concerns to us. We feel our game is in pretty good hands, but if you have any ideas how to make it a better life experience for all of the kids and parents involved,

we'd love to have your help and involvement.

Thank you from the Didsbury Minor Hockey Executive and its officials.

Sincerely,
Chris Overwater, the
President of Didsbury Minor
Hockey

Refusing to register guns

Dear Editor,

In a court case of 1937, Attorney General of BC, versus the Attorney General of Canada, No. AC 368, it was found the Government of Canada can not invade the jurisdiction of the provinces. Now Section 92, Sub. Sec. 13 of the British North America Act, which we use as a Constitution clearly gives property rights to the provinces.

This court case said "The only limitation on the plenary power of the Dominion to determine what should or should not be criminal was the condition that Parliament should not in the guise of enacting criminal legislation in truth and in substance encroach on any of the classes of subjects enumerated in Sec. 92 of the BNA Act." Guns are property!

Now my friends, that is pretty clear to even the most simple minded, is it not? But that is just what has happened in the Courts with the Klein judges, has it not? Have they not passed a judgement that because of the seriousness of crime and the Federal Government may pass laws

to do with property, our guns? Doesn't it make you wonder if this is not a set up by Mr. Klein as the Constitution is clearly written and Sec. 52 of the Charter of Rights and freedoms says the Constitution "in its entirety, is the supreme law of the land" and it goes on to say "any law that is inconsistent with the provisions of the Constitution is, to the extent of the inconsistency, of no force or effect."

Now that's so simple even an Albertan Queens Court judge would probably be able to understand it. But lets make it simpler yet for the high paid help.

The Attorney General of Nova Scotia versus the Attorney General of Canada in the Lord Nelson Hotel Company case of 1950 which was a dispute over Provincial and Federal rights came to the conclusion that "the constitution of Canada does not belong either to Parliament, or to the Legislature; and it belongs to the country and it is there that the citizens of the country will find the protection of the rights to which they are entitled." It is part of that

protection that Parliament can only legislate on Sec. 91 and that each province can legislate exclusively on the subject matters of Sec. 92" Property rights fall under Provincial Jurisdiction only and the constitution can not be changed either by Parliament or the Legislatures.

So to Ralph Klein and his judges, I can tell you I am not going to register my long guns. Possibly it's time you people remembered who pays you wages.

Sincerely,
Dennis Combs, Olds
Spokesperson for the Republic of Alberta Association

Deep concern for hospital's future

Dear Editor,

I am writing today with deep concern for the future of our hospital. It appears to me after reading the article in the Review that the RHA5 will have the active part of our hospital as a first aid station.

I've lived in Didsbury the past 47 years, being in business 26 of those years. We watched the hospital board, the town council with Raymond Shantz as mayor, Dr. Read, Dr. Keys, the late Len Slipp, Elizabeth Robertson (matron of the hospital) and others go to Edmonton and fight for the building of this hospital.

We have been very concerned watching some very good doctors leave and go elsewhere. To name a few Dr. Benton, Dr. Williams and Dr. Botha.

I write this because last Sunday morning I was an emergency patient in the hospital. Dr. Qureshi was on duty for that day and it didn't take him long to make a diagnosis of the problem. I was in bed and on medication. The care I got from the nurses and staff was every bit as good as the care I get in the city hospitals.

I encourage others who have had the occasion to have been a patient in the Didsbury Hospital to write to the media.

We have a good hospital, so let's encourage our doctors, Dr. James, Dr. Holder, Dr. Koonar and Dr. Qureshi. They took the same exams as any other doctor has taken.

Please utilize what we have before it's too late.
Sincerely,
Reg Johnston, Didsbury

Thank You for a Olde Tyme Christmas Experience

The Midnight Madness Committee and the Didsbury Chamber of Commerce wish to thank the many volunteers who helped bring Christmas decorations to downtown Didsbury.

The enthusiastic support of many business owners, citizens, and Mainstreet Project personnel made this ambitious plan a reality.

Plans are already taking shape for an even more extensive and colorful Olde Tyme Christmas Experience next year. Donations are always gratefully accepted.

The Midnight Madness Committee

We Are Missing You!

We invite You to join us this season as we celebrate God's gift of Love!
 Children's Christmas Program
 Quantum Leap Christmas
 Sun. Dec. 20, 7:00 p.m.
 "I am the Light of the World. The person who follows me will never live in darkness. He will have the light that gives life." John 8:12

Candlelight
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FROM THE MAILBAG

Ross Ford writes: Students concerned about future

Editor's note: All spelling errors have been left in these letters as we wish to let them express themselves in their own manner.

Dear Editor,

My concern is that too many people are killing animals. It should be against the law without a license. Because too many animals are becoming extinct and it isn't fair to the animals. The government should say that you are allowed to kill 1 big animal and 5 small animals a season. If that happens the license should be more money then it is now.

Sincerely,
Tara Faucher

Dear Editor,

My concern is that there is too much adult stuff in the newspaper. I think that you should have about two or one pages with kid stuff. I mean jokes, riddles, cross words and other fun stuff like that. Here are some jokes you could use put in the newspaper if you want. What did Baby corn ask Mama corn? Where is Pop corn! One day there was a very nice field of green grass and there was a green cow. Why was the cow green? So it could cam-mouflage! It would be really nice if you could.

Sincerely,
Kiara Rothert

Dear Editor,

You never put enough stuff in the newspaper. Like not enough comics or crosswords. There is only 1 little page of comics and 1 little crossword. What about putting 5 crosswords in and put 3 pages of comics. That would be better.

Sincerely,
Kayla Mackey

Dear Editor,

I think that they shouldn't sell guns. It's just making some animals that live on earth die. They have a right to live too because how would you like it if somebody was hiding and killed you.

Sincerely,
Jan Milne

Dear Editor,

I think that there should be some more kids stuff in the newspaper like crosswords and some more comics because all the stuff is really for the adults but I still think that they should have some more comics and crosswords. I also think that people shouldn't be stealing as much alcohol as they are because there are too many crashes and people getting hurt and going to the hospital because it isn't really fun watching someone going to the hospital every day.

Sincerely,
Amanda Braun

Dear Editor,

My concern is that too many animals are getting killed I think someone should stop the poachers. Because it is illegal to shoot animals without a license. My dad shoots animals (not very many though!) I think the government should say you can

only shoot two large animals and 5 small. Because Tigers, Elephants, reptiles, amphibians and birds are becoming extinct. I don't think the people who are shooting the animals would like it if someone shot them, so as you can see that is what I'm concerned about. I hope someday can do something about it.

Sincerely,
Lisa Misener

Dear Editor,

I am worried about the animals that are getting killed off like the: White Rhino, Red Panda, Giant Panda, Tasmanian Tiger, Siberian Tiger, Red Fox, Grey Fox and the Golden Eagle. (Just to name a few) This concerns me because I am an all around animal lover and I think the government is not protecting these animals enough. There is less than 50 White Rhinos in the wild. That's sad. There's less than 20 Tasmanian tigers and 60 Golden Eagles.

I think you should not be able to hunt them till there is 5000 of each species or more. (I'm exaggerating a little) Until then you can't hunt them.

Sincerely,
Jonathan Lefebvre

Dear Editor,

I think that people should stop selling and taking drugs because people are dying because of them. They are not good for you and your body. And think people should put more activities in the newspaper for kids. Like crosswords and coloring contests and word jumbles.

Sincerely,
Laura Kary

Dear Editor,

The government need to do something about people selling alcohol, same with booze. There is just too many people selling alcohol. Plus people drink and drive and that causes accidents. People need to think and drive instead of drinking and driving. Please do something about this.

Sincerely,
Jesse Wygiera

Dear Editor,

There are too many extinct animals in Alberta. Everybody should stop killing the animals. It's not right to kill a animal for its fur and meat. Most animals are extinct from that. We should stop eating meat.

Sincerely,
Kyle Leeson

Dear Editor,

I think there should be a kid's page with crosswords, word searches and comics. I'm concerned about this because the paper should be fun too. I'm concerned about how animals are being treated. All animals should be treated with respect. Some animals are being kicked and punched. People are killing for sport instead of food. This concerns me because I love animals.

Sincerely,
Michael Arnold

Dear Editor,

I am very concerned about poor environmental care and that many animals are becoming extinct.

It is like man is trying to rid the world of pesky (as they

say) animals. If they don't be careful they'll rid the world of all the animals and die so please be environmental safe.

Sincerely,
Clay Lowther

Watch for more letters from Ross Ford students in next week's newspaper.

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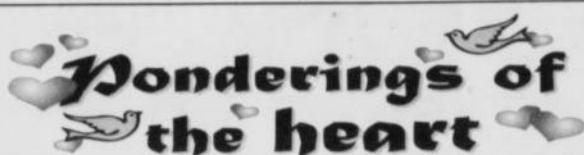


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FROM THE MAILBAG



By Margaret Fradley
The county operates a food bank which gives us the opportunity to help year round to those who are less fortunate than we are.

At Christmas many

volunteers from our community prepare, pack and deliver many hampers to needy folks. Years ago, when I worked at an inner city mission, we also made up and delivered many hampers each Christmas.

One one occasion, when we delivered a hamper to a needy family, their young son told us about his younger sister who had been in Grade 1 the previous year. When she returned to school after the Christmas vacation, the teacher asked her pupils to share about the gifts they had received. That particular Christmas the little girl had received no gifts, and she was so devastated she could not return to school for several days.

This is shocking in a city where there is so much affluence.

This is a season for 'giving' and yes, we can make a difference.

Notes from Nigeria

Dan and Janet Snyder are Didsburians who are missionaries in Nigeria.

**Sunday, Nov. 29
Dear friends,**

It has been another busy week at Hillcrest. But at this time of the year all the weeks are busy. As Connie, one of the high school teachers, reminds us with a daily count down, we have just over two weeks left in the semester. Connie is going home to the US for Christmas and is counting down the days until she leaves. Two weeks, lots of projects and papers yet to finish, three Christmas concerts (one for each school: elementary, middle and high schools), Messiah concert, nine lessons and carols, exams and ice cream social sponsored by the PTA, and yes, the busyness will remain until school is out.

Although it is busy, it is also a great time of the year. This week we had Thanksgiving dinner with the Baptist Mission. Most of the families of the kids in hostel came to Jos as well as several other families. We had over 50 people at dinner. It was a wonderful time to visit with people, share out thanks for things that have happened this year and, of course, to eat too much.

The Senior (Grade 12) class presented their play that they

have been working on for the last three months. The play, "The Solid Gold Cadillac," is not a piece of classic literature but a fun, entertaining play that had us all laughing. It was great to see some abilities that we don't normally see as the students took on roles and characters and made them believable. One guy played an older man, with the make-up to age him and some extra padding, he looked just like his father. Even his mannerism, the way he walked was just the image of his dad. It was fun to watch the son on stage and see the father sitting in front of us reacting to his son's acting.

During the Sunday service, in keeping with the Thanksgiving theme, we had a time where people could just voice some of the things they were thankful for. Students got up and shared their thanks for their relationship with God and for parents and staff who have supported and helped them. Parents voiced thanks to the Hillcrest teachers and house parents for the role we play in the lives of their children. One missionary that lives "down bush" was thankful for the Hillcrest community for the support they are given that allows them to do the work they do.

**Sincerely,
Dan and Janet**

Didsburians' support faithful

Dear Editor,

I would like to commend the residents and businesses in the Didsbury area for their faithful support to the Didsbury Christmas Helpers. It is always an encouragement to us as we see how God puts together this program. Each year has been unique and those who choose to be a part of it always say how their Christmas has been made special. Some how knowing how you have been a part of helping one of our members of our town see the true meaning of Christmas makes us feel a new sense

of well being. Life is too busy!

Have you missed the joy of lending a helping hand? Why not reach out your hand and share this year. Opportunities abound all around you.

• Food drops can be done at the Subway or AG Foods. Toys and gifts at the Post Office.

• Toy Wrapping Dec. 20 at 2 p.m. at the Zion Evangelical Missionary Church.

• Alone for Christmas dinner. Dec. 25 at 1 p.m. at the Elks Hall. Helpers needed. Come and join us. Please phone 335-2378 if you are coming or

would like to help.

• Anyone knowing of someone in need of help this Christmas, please phone Zion Evangelical Missionary Church at 335-3629 Tues-Fri from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Deadline for names is Dec. 18.

This is your opportunity to make your Christmas the most special one you have ever had. Don't miss out. Remember it's still more blessed to give than receive.

**Sincerely,
Linda Sirr**

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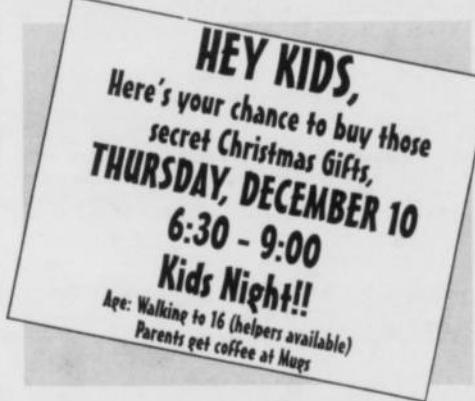


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Lifestyles

A helping hand and a warm hug for victims

By Ceilidh McClurg

It is the dreaded knock at the door in the middle of the night and when you open the door, you see a police officer on your doorstep. The first thought that runs through your mind is that it can't be good news. You are right, it probably isn't good news.

So now you know. The emotions overtake the situation and things start to fall apart.

Then, another knock comes at your door. It is a stranger with a smile, a shoulder to cry on, a whole lot of information, and the ability to just be there when you need them most.

It is Chinook's Arch Victim Services.

The service is relatively new to the area, and covers the Olds, Didsbury and Sundre RCMP detachment areas. Its purpose is simple. To do whatever you, as a victim, need.

When an RCMP officer is called to a scene or a situation, they assess the circumstances and decide if they will call one of the two, two member teams that are on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Sometimes, it just a victim of a break and enter who is hurt by what has happened to them. Sometimes the CAVS volunteers come in after a next of kin notification when the victim is at their most vulnerable and in need of support. Or the person might be the victim of a sexual assault, and just not know how to deal with what has occurred.

"In any situation a victim loses in one form or another and they are going to go through a grieving process," says Betty Fawns, the volunteer coordinator for CAVS.

If it is as tragic as losing a loved one in a car accident, they volunteer to do everything from make coffee, to make the hard but necessary phone calls to family.

"It is all to make sure things run a little more smoothly for the victim. It also helps in the recovery process so that they aren't feeling neglected and uncared for," says Fawns.

That was the glitch in the old system of the police dealing with victims. The busy RCMP officers often could only deal with the task at hand, and then had to move onto their next duty, admits Cst. Morley Lippai, the Didsbury liaison officer.

"The program and volunteers relieve us from the responsibility and the guilty feeling of leaving the victim," says Lippai who is a strong supporter of the program.

The program is definitely working, he adds saying that he has personally witnessed the difference it can make at a difficult time for the victim.

So, the idea is working, but

there is a glue that holds it all together - the volunteers.

It takes a special kind of person," says Lippai.

Fawns expands, "We need someone who is a very caring person. They must have empathy and compassion."

But, beyond the character that it takes to be a Victim's Services volunteer, there is the training.

"The workers have to be prepared to face what is presented to them," says Fawns. This is what they learn in the training sessions that each volunteer must undertake. They learn people skills, the skills of communication, and many other skills that help them along their path.

But, when it comes right down to it, it is the combination of skill, with a large dose of empathy and a huge heart that makes a Victim's Services volunteer.

Anne Uhrich is one of those people. She was among the most recent graduates. "I wanted to do something in the avenue of volunteering that could really make a difference," she says. From her own personal traumas experienced in life, she knew what it was like to be at the bottom of the barrel and need someone's gentle and caring hand to scramble to the top.

So far, she has been on two calls, both for the family victims of car accidents. On her first call the victim of the accident was just one year older than her son. She says it really hit home. "I was really afraid I was going to get there and get upset, but I didn't," she recalls. This is natural. Trepidation comes with task, but the training she and other volunteers have gone through is like a brick wall supporting them. Also, there are regular briefing meetings with all of the workers, where they can sit and discuss the cases confidentially and unload some of the feelings that come with being put into the middle of a crisis.

For Uhrich, the satisfaction of taking on the tough task is in her own personal life. "It really puts into perspective how your life can change in a minute. It has definitely made a difference in my own personal life in how I relate to the people I love and how I view life in general."

One can't help but look at things differently when the volunteers, who have been to a total 50 calls since its inception, have been to situations involving everything from suicide to abductions and domestic violence, and may even provide support when a victim must go through a court process.



Chinooks Arch Victim Services' most recent graduates are presented. Front from left to right: Jim Miller, Betty Vorachek, Anne Uhrich, Alice Andras, Betty Swanby, Gary Halfyard. Back row: Barb Wolosuk, Gail Gordon, Connie Zyderveld, Nicole Spencer, and Cathy Harris.

When a CAVS volunteer arrives at the scene they are armed with the essentials inside a kit that they take with them. Inside are pamphlets and information where victims can be referred for counselling or any other service. They also carry hand made teddy

bears for the children that they come across. However, the most important part of their kit is the volunteers themselves, their warmth, and their ability to know when someone needs a hug.

Although none of these volunteers are training counsellors

professionals, they are the initial point of contact for someone that needs help.

Perhaps it is all summed up in their mission statement...

"To provide support, information and referral to victims of crime and tragedy."

News from the Dragon's Den

Welcome to the Dragon's Den. The DHS Christmas Dance was held on Dec. 4 from 8:30 p.m. to midnight at DHS. Power 107 was the DJ and the students who attended had a blast and a few won cool prizes.

On Dec. 3 the DHS Senior Girls Volleyball team defeated the Alumni Team. Of the five games played, the Senior Girls won four. Congratulations, and good playing by both teams.

The 10-11 Girls Basketball Team placed fourth overall last weekend, Nov. 27-28, in Airdrie against seven other high school teams. Good job, girls.

On Dec. 7, the 10-11 Boys Basketball Team played Crossfield in Crossfield and will have a home game on Dec. 10 against Sundre. Come out and cheer the DHS team on. Also, on Dec. 11 and 12 the boys will be in a tournament in Acme.

On Dec. 2, Randy Diddam, the coordinator of EXIT Community Outreach and his assistant, Michelle, gave two 80 minute presentations to over 150 students at DHS. EXIT Outreach is the organization that works with teens who have had to leave their homes and resort to the streets of Calgary as a refuge. EXIT tries to guide these teens into safe places and towards integrating back into society in a safe and healthy way.

EXIT Outreach succeeded in getting over 300 teens off the streets last year, but there are over 500 teens who go through EXIT's doors each month. The num-

bers are growing at a staggering rate, with 190,000 persons throughout Canada being homeless. There is no doubt after seeing and hearing EXIT's presentation that there is a huge need for our support of such an organization. As every year, Ms. Turner and her classes are helping collect money and donations from the school and community. Contact Ms. Turner at the school, 335-3356, if you want to help or have any questions.

On Dec. 3 the Biology 30 class went to Calgary to donate blood and see how Canadian Blood Services processes and screens donations.

Twelve of the 32 students who attended gave the gift of life (hopefully their first of many). After giving blood and touring the facility, the students went to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner where they learned about the investigation procedure that follows a sudden or accidental death. Students participated in a simulation investigation called "Death in the Gym" and then visited the autopsy room (there were not any patients) after watching a video

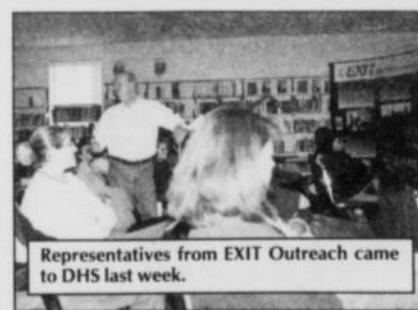
of an autopsy. The students had plenty of questions for the nurse who gave them the tour. The day ended with a visit to the University of Calgary Health Services Centre at the Foothills Hospital where the students viewed many human specimens in the Bacs Centre. It was a very interesting but very busy day, yet, once again our students were excellent ambassadors of our school.

On Dec. 6, DHS held its annual Christmas Band Concert at 2 p.m. DHS, the band and Mr. Wegner would like to extend their appreciation to all the students and parents who participated and attended this lovely afternoon of music. It was a great success and fun was had by all. What a great way to begin the spirit of Christmas at DHS.

The Drama 10/20 class headed by Miss Campbell is working on the play "Whatever Happened to Old Ebenezer Scrooge?" for the next few weeks. They will be performing it at a school assembly tentatively planned for Dec. 18. It will be followed by the annual

Student's Union presentation of "The Twelve Days of Christmas." Any date changes will be posted here, because it is rumoured that Santa Claus may stop in for a visit, and we all know how busy he is this time of year.

Have a good week and please do not forget that Dec. 11 is a 9-10 Friday off. Also, has your child brought home a newsletter and an interim report?



Representatives from EXIT Outreach came to DHS last week.



At The Kitchen Table

by
Noreen Olson

We have a chickadee with no tail who arrives at the feeder like a thrown tennis ball. He looks very odd but seems totally unconcerned about his handicap and why should he worry? He's getting on fine, the tail will grow back, and none of the other chickadees seem to be making jokes at his expense.

The feeder is new this year. The one that we had for the last 10 years or so had to be retired because it had been taken over by sparrows, the nasty little dead end kids of the Bird World. The old one was large and only had to be filled about once a week but when the sparrows discovered it, they camped on the ledge, sometimes face out and without even eating, and drove the smaller birds away. The new model is called a Satellite Feeder and is clear plastic, round and ringed like a satellite, free swinging, quite small, with only a little lip for the birds to catch as they feed and the sparrows can't seem to get a grip. The down side is that it has to be filled more often. Sometimes twice a day. It took the chickadees minutes to figure it out, the nuthatch needed a couple of days before he felt secure, and once in a while I see a cranky looking sparrow perched nearby and wondering what happened to the free lunch.

We hang suet during the cold months and our bob-tailed chickadee likes suet as much as he likes sunflower seeds. In an effort to find out how many chickadees feed here we tried to count the number that come in between the visits of our recognizable friend. Unfortunately chickadees don't take turns very well so we still don't really know any numbers. Maybe if we counted for several days and then did an average, but we don't have that much spare time. The suet also attracts downy and hairy woodpeckers. They look exactly alike except that the hairy brother is about half again as big as the downy one and has a very large powerful bill that sends chips of suet raining down on the deck. Both are black and white, the adult males have brilliant patches of red on the backs of their heads, juvenile females do not. Their calls are also similar but the hairy is loud enough to be really startling. The downys are quite fearless and will go right on feeding while we stand just a meter away and continue to carry on a conversation.

When the big feeder was up we would get the occasional group of grosbeaks on it and it was a joy to see them that close. They still come, but now they feed at ground level on the seeds that have been dropped by the little guys and if I want a good view I have to go downstairs and watch from a basement window. They really come for the crabapples and the seeds in the cotoneasters so they are not going hungry. There are three varieties of grosbeaks: the gorgeous yellow Evening Grosbeaks, the smaller and very beautiful pink and black Pine Grosbeaks, and once in a while Black Headed Grosbeaks. I especially like the Pine Grosbeaks. They are very calm and quiet and talk softly among themselves while allowing me to get quite close.

Last week we found a dead deer in our laneway. We saw it about 9 a.m. as we were going out for an appointment. We don't know what happened to make it die, but whatever it was the poor thing got half way up our long lane before it expired. The air was thick with crows, magpies and ravens. By noon there was scarcely anything left but the head, hooves and hide. We phoned Fish and Wildlife and they said we should dump the remains and let the coyotes finish it but there was very little to dump. Most surprising was that among the scavengers was a great big Bald Eagle. We often see Bald Eagles as they go by in March, but have never seen one in November before. How did he know that there was a dead deer here and how far had he come for a share in the feast?

Every year I think that we should take part in the Christmas Bird Count, but so far we have not made the necessary arrangements to do so. Maybe this year. I wonder if the bob-tailed chickadee will still be here for Christmas.

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South West Didsbury news

Area welcomes triplets

By **Bessie Eckstrand**

The area would like to welcome Francine Smith and Jim Fewell of Calgary, who have purchased the Allen and Linda Meyer farm (1/2 mile west on Westcott Rd.) and have been moving in the last several weeks. The couple are scientists at the University of Calgary and physiologists in the Faculty of Medicine. They are busy getting settled in their new place. They love the country life and are anxious to meet their neighbours.

Allen and Linda Meyer have moved to Olds, where they will be handy to their business, Meyer Dental Clinic. We'll miss you Allen and Linda. Allen has lived on the farm all of his life. Best of luck in your new home.

Sympathy of the area is expressed to the Noble Family as husband and father Ivan of the West area passed away in the Olds Hospital on Nov. 9. Funeral services were held Nov. 13 at the Cremona Congregational Church, with burial in the Cremona Cemetery.

He is survived by his loving wife Ruth, one son James (Monica) of Didsbury and one daughter Judi (Pat) of London, England and their families. Ivan was well known in the area for his gentle smile and he attended most of the auction sales.

This poem was written by his loving son James.

Remembering Ivan

In auction circles and auction sales

Ivan's name would always prevail

Known about for a hundred miles

For the wiggle of his ears

And his gentle smiles.

Dearly missed by us all.

His memory lives on with the auction call.

Anyone wishing to contribute to his memory can send a donation to the Long Term and Palliative Care in Didsbury or Olds Hospital or the Congregational Church of Cremona.

Best wishes of the area go to Ruth and Reg Johnston of Didsbury, who celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Nov. 21 (real date Nov. 20) at the Didsbury Complex.

A capacity crowd of approximately 600 relatives and friends attended the party. The family of seven children, wives and families were present for the festivities. The 5-0 Singers entertained with Doreen McEwan at the piano and Fred Bogner as director rendered a number of appropriate songs and the Bogners sang a lovely duet.

Their son Peter, as spokesman for the family, thanked his parents for their support and love throughout the years and each family member presented the honoured couple with flowers and son Steven rendered a beautiful solo.

Everyone enjoyed visiting with the honoured couple (Ruth looked stunning in her velvet

dress and Reg looked very nice in a black suit) and all enjoyed visiting with friends and the lovely lunch.

Reg was born at Sunnyslope and was raised north of Cremona. Ruth (Burkholder) was born at Black Diamond and raised west of Cremona in the Big Prairie area. The couple were married on Nov. 20, 1948 at her home.

Reg worked around the area as a cat Skinner, bus driver, town constable and operated Johnson's Grill and Billiards in Didsbury, then they built and operated the Greenhouse (Terra Products) south of town until 1990 and retired to Didsbury.

The area wishes you folks many more years of health and happiness.

The Museum Supper on Nov. 18 at the Elks Hall was well attended. The roast beef was delicious, having been bought and cooked by AG Foods in Didsbury. Everything else was delicious. A few lucky ones took home some door prizes and some purchased home made pies.

Grandparents Rejane and Delbert Klinck and Dolores and

Sam Jackson are very proud to announce triplets, born to Paula (Jackson) and Keith Klinck of Olds in the Foothills Hospital on Dec. 2. They have a girl, Laura Jean, 6 lbs, 6 oz, and two boys, Roger Earl, 5 lbs, 13 oz, and Alan Jackson, 5 lbs, 6 oz. All are doing well and will be home soon and will be living at grandparents (Sam and Dolores) for several months. Paula and Keith both grew up in the west area. Paula taught school in Airdrie and Keith worked for Fred Hanson as a car salesman. The area wishes them much happiness with their new family.

Sympathy of the west area is expressed to Phyllis Fout and family of Carstairs and area, as husband and father John passed away on Dec. 6 in the Olds Hospital at the age of 74. John had been ill for several months. He'll be sorely missed by friends and family.

Please note:

The Knox UCW Christmas Party will be held Dec. 8 at 7 p.m. at the church. All church ladies, thrift shop volunteers and husbands are invited to attend.

Bring a few Christmas cookies or cakes to be given to shut ins.

The Birthday Club Christmas Party Supper will be held Dec. 3 at 6 p.m. at the home of Susie and Frank Neufeld. Families are cordially invited to attend.

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Sons of Norway news

By Noreen Olson

Inga Fobes played for the opening anthems of the November meeting and President Lief Terning was chair. Correspondence and announcements included a letter from Ski for Light asking us to renew membership.

We maintain membership through our annual donation and sponsorship of a competitor. Louise read a letter from District 4 with details in regard to funds that can be made available to start a new project providing the projects can become self-sustaining after three years. A youth program would be wonderful, but we need interested youngsters and qualified leaders to begin it and neither group is immediately apparent.

Valhalla Lodge Calgary sent information and registration forms for their Sports Weekend and members began to sign up. More people can probably register at the Christmas party. Dates for Sports Weekend are Feb. 26-28, 1999.

The Social Director reported that the Birthday party at Chinook Winds went very well and that the Christmas party is now Dec. 13.

The Chatelaines of Innisfail will entertain, special children's activities are planned and Santa Claus will attend. The Culture Director asked if anyone was interested in earning an ethnic skills badge in cooking through a series of lessons in the art. Olga said that the Vikings Only catalogue is still available if anyone else wishes to place an order.

Discussion in regard to our Torsk Supper in January. We have decided to have only one sitting at 1 p.m. We will print 140 tickets and all staff will eat after the public seating. Committees were appointed to cover the Craft and Ethnic

display and the door prizes. Steering committee is Edie Bennett, Melba Berild, Barb Olsen and Ruby Bruneski.

Discussion in regard to our Spring Fling. We will try for the 5 Plus 1 band as our regulars seem to especially enjoy their music. Social Director Ken Holmberg will look into caterers and Thelma Dorin had a suggestion for entertainment. She will make further inquiries and let us know. Bennett, Marion Dahlgren, Fobes and Inga Norre volunteered to conduct a Bingo at the Olds Senior Lodge. Financial Secretary and the Treasurer reported and it was announced that there are still several T-Shirts left and we will let them go at \$10. Lief read the nominating committee's report and we voted for the slate of officers recommended.

We welcome the new officers and thank the ones who retain their previous offices.

Under Good of the Order, Counselor Noreen presented 25 year pins to Olga and Lief Terning. Olga and Lief belonged to Calgary Valhalla before this Lodge was formed and are much valued charter members of Fjellsyn.

Remember the Christmas party on Dec. 13 at the Evergreen Centre beginning at 2:30 p.m. Next regular meeting will be Jan. 25. Installation of Officers, wine and cheese.

Olds Legion events

By Marge St. Clair

Mon. Dec. 14, 21 and 28 - Shuffleboard at 1 p.m.; Crib tournament at 7:30 p.m.

Wed. Dec. 9, 16, 23, 30 - Regular and satellite bingo at 7:25 p.m.; Darts at 7:30 p.m.

Thurs. Dec. 10 - Seniors dinner

Sun. Dec. 13 - Children's Christmas party, noon-2:30 p.m. Lunch is free.

Entertainment:

Dec. 11 and 12 - Irish Connection

Dec. 18 and 19 - Sam Hill

Dec. 31 - New Years Eve Party. 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. Lunch at 10:30 p.m. Party favors. Entertainment is Tyler and Tyler.

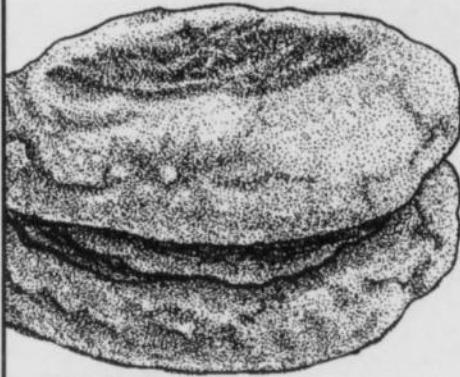
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Fast facts from five: Child and Family Services

By Christine Howard

Since the government appointed the Children and Family Services Authority (CDSA) in June, the Board has been working towards implementing the Service Plan for Region Five, which includes the Didsbury and Carstairs area. To date, much of the work has occurred behind the scenes but their effort is now starting to show results.

During the past month, the Board advertised for a CEO for the CDSA in Region Five. The competition closed Nov. 20, 1998 and the Board hopes to have the successful candidate in place by January, 1999. This will enable the CEO to participate in establishing the five resource centres and begin the transfer of Social Services staff and services prior to the target date of April 1 when the department of Social Services will begin phasing services for children and families over the local authorities.

As of Nov. 16, the regional office for the Children's Services Authority will be relocated from Didsbury to the Provincial

Jackson WI

By Nellie Davies

The Jackson Women's Institute met at the home of Judy Bellamy on Nov. 25. For the opening song she had chosen "I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas," after which we repeated the Mary Stewart Collect.

The Nursing Home Tea which we hosted on Nov. 20 was well attended. The hand clapping, toe tapping music provided by Doreen, Joyce and Verna (Kitchen Band) was enjoyed by everyone.

The roll call answered by the 13 ladies present was to tell an animal story.

We were asked for suggestions for a name for the constituency when the East Didsbury and West Didsbury combine in the New Year.

Noreen Olson read a poem which she had written in 1978 on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of our WI.

Following the treasurer's report, it was moved and seconded to pay all dues. Also donations to be sent to the Girls Club, the Alberta WI office fund, the ACWW, the WI office fund and CNIB.

The nominating committee then gave us the new slate of officers for the forthcoming two years.

The topic for this month was Agriculture and Canadian Industries. Bellamy gave an informative talk on the use of peat which is being used to fuel a power plant at Drayton Valley. Most of us already knew that peat had been used in Ireland for centuries but were unaware of the vast amount available in Canada. It is a renewable resource which can be restored within 5-20 years after it has been harvested. After the peat has been burned the ash can be used as fertilizer.

The next meeting will be on Dec. 16 at the home of Dorith Bird.

Building in Three Hills. Michelle Evans, Office Support; Pearl Craig, Facilitator, and the CEO will be available through the Three Hills office. The new phone number is 443-8535, fax number is 443-8537, both accessible through the RITE line 310-0000. Services for children and

families will be delivered from five resource centres located in Didsbury, Hanna, Strathmore, Drumheller and Three Hills.

The Board is developing the three year business plan that defines the Service plan and describes when services will be phased in, how services will be

delivered and the implementing of human resources. To accomplish this, involves compiling the technical information necessary to change service delivery and resources from a district focus such as Olds, Drumheller and Calgary to a regional approach. In addition,

the Board is negotiating with neighbouring regions to realign human and monetary resources and to establish service delivery protocols to address border issues and specialized services specific to a region. The business plan will be completed by December.

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**Sheryl
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Sheryl Rothert likes to provide our readers with good-tasting, nutritious, low-cost, and quick-to-make recipes with easy-to-follow instructions. The recipes are usually quite basic with changes provided to satisfy most tastes. Sheryl has a B.Sc. and B.Ed. in Home Economics with close to 15 years teaching experience. You are welcome to drop off your comments, suggestions, and/or contributions to the Review office.

To help your busy preparation plans for Christmas, I'm bringing you recipes this month to help relieve some of that stress. January will follow with a few "easing back" type recipes to cut down on dollars and calories. Meanwhile, enjoy food and festivities for December. This week gives you two recipes to use for appetizers and/or snacks for the kids.

Twisty Cheese Crisps

1/4 cup flour	1/4 cup shortening
1/2 cup yellow corn meal	water
1 tsp. salt	grated Parmesan cheese
1/4 cup cheddar cheese, grated	

1. Mix flour, cornmeal and salt in a large bowl.
 2. Cut in cheddar cheese and shortening until mixture is crumbly.
 3. Stir in 1/3 cup water with a fork.
 4. Shape dough into balls with hands. (Add more water if needed, a tsp. at a time.)
 5. Preheat oven to 425 degrees F.
 6. Roll half of pastry into a 12" by 10" rectangle, between two sheets of waxed paper.
 7. Cut dough into strips 5" by 1/2"; remove each strip and twist by turning ends in opposite direction.
 8. Lay on baking sheet and press down ends.
 9. Bake 6-8 minutes (until golden).
 10. When done, sprinkle with Parmesan cheese. Cool on racks.
 11. Repeat steps 6-10 with remaining half of dough.
- *** Makes 96 twists.

Tip of the week: Prepare as much as you can ahead of time when you've got a quiet time on the weekend or in the morning. Shoo everyone out to go shopping, watch a hockey game or do something outdoorsy. It's nice to have help in the kitchen, but too much can be stressful also. Remember: the purpose of the holiday season is for everyone to enjoy themselves, and each other.

RELIGION

Way of Life: Their journey is one we'll all take

Over the course of Advent we journey. We journey with Mary and Joseph, and hopefully, discover in some new ways that it is a journey we all must take, because it was not solely unto the Shepherds at Bethlehem that Christ was born - but unto us!

How that happened then and how that happens now - that God becomes incarnate - remains one of the enduring paradoxes of human existence. It is a paradox that has been expressed in many ways, but particularly well, I think, in an eighteenth century rabbinic tale of a worshipper, Ben Ezra, who on the Eve of Yom Kippur prayed long and ardently in the synagogue, much to the distress of the waiting Rabbi. His impatience overcome by his curiosity, the Rabbi at length inquired of his zealous worshipper, "Ben Ezra, what is it that you say to the Master that it takes you so long?" "I will tell you what I have been saying," said Ben Ezra. "To the Master of the universe I say, 'These are

my sins and I confess them: I argued with my wife. But you know my wife. I lost patience with my children. But what parent doesn't? I cheated a little in my shop. But just a little. Among friends. How small are my sins, Master of the universe. Now consider your sins."

You dry up the sky, and our crops wither. Other times they burn up because you send too much sun. You let the rains come before the poor man has his roof repaired. You do not stop war, and young men die. The marriage bed is empty, there is no child in the womb.

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But I will make you a proposition: You forgive me my little sins, and I will forgive your great ones! That was my proposal Rabbi, and I ask you was it so wrong?" The Rabbi did not

answer for a long time. "No Ben Ezra, he said at last. It was not wrong, it was not wrong. But why did you drive so small a bargain? For sins like these you could have asked Him to redeem the world."

In the wisdom of the Rabbi the afflictions of human beings are so incomprehensible and so persistent that nothing other than God's saving self could adequately address them. Chris-

tians believe that redemptive time and historic time meet in the child born in a manger. We are called to know the joy, the peace, and the hope that Jesus confers upon those who join themselves to Him. Not only that, we are called to be bearers of those redemptive gifts to others.

"Unto us a child is born. Unto us a Saviour has been given."

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a brief glimpse of people and events in our community

Compiled by Nicole Smith



Crystal Collinge

Australia bound

One of our local students will be heading abroad this January.

Crystal Collinge, 15, will be travelling to Werribee, Australia, a suburb of Melbourne, for a year's stint as part of the Student Travel Schools program.

The Grade 10 student applied for the program last May, and will be departing on Jan. 19.

"I wanted to go for a change," said Collinge, who opted for Australia because there would be no language barriers.

In order to be able to qualify for the program, Collinge had to maintain at least a 65% average in all her core subjects. The costs for the trip are not covered, so the entire experience will put her family out about \$7,500.

Collinge says she is very excited about her trip, but is a little worried about being homesick.

She says that many things will be different in Australia, like the food and the school, where she had to wear school uniforms. She says that she is excited about learning how to scuba dive.

"I'm excited for her because I think it will be a great experience, but I'll miss her," said Cindy Collinge, Crystal's mom.

Collinge will be living with a host family in Australia, where she says there will be a lot of rules. She says that STS also implements a pretty strict set of rules.

Australia is only one of many countries involved in the STS program. Other students may opt to travel to New Zealand, South Africa, most Scandinavian countries, France or Italy.

If you are interested in becoming an STS student, you can call Jean Craven locally at 335-9570 or 1-800-265-5316.



Donations wanted

In every community there are always people who could use some extra help around Christmas time. And that's true here in Didsbury.

To help to make the holiday season a little more enjoyable, Linda Sirr started the Christmas Helpers program 14 years ago, which delivers gifts, toys and food to families that are having a hard time making ends meet.

The ladies at Countryside Florists, Sandi Anderson, Doreen Curniski, Nancy McTavish and Karen Baudistel, have got into the spirit of giving and have donated \$100 to the Christmas Helpers program.

They are calling out to businesses or people in the community that would like to help the program, donate what they can.

The donations don't have to be cash either. Sirr says that she is looking for toys, non-perishable food items, gifts as well as cash donations for the purchase of turkeys and other food items.

The ladies are challenging anyone to donate what they can, and all donations can be dropped off at Countryside Florists or by calling Linda at 335-2378.

"I'm just hoping I can spark some interest," Anderson said about the open challenge.

Seniors' Games Manager

The countdown for the 1999 Alberta Seniors' Games has officially begun. The office is open and as of Nov. 2, a manager is on the job.

Michelle Roth, the Seniors' Games Manager, has been hired to oversee that pretty much every aspect of the games is running smoothly. Her job is to "bridge any gaps" between the 14 portfolios of the games. She also works in the Games Office and answers any questions the community may have.

Roth knows her way around a Games Office, as she was the Games Assistant for the Seniors' Games in Three Hills last year. She graduated with a degree in Recreational Administration.

Another part of her position is to help recruit over 800 volunteers for next year's event. Roth says the applications are "trickling in," but that they could always use more.

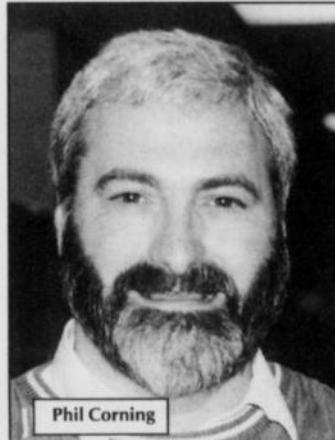
"We want to get the communities of Olds and Didsbury to work together," she said. "The Games are for the participants, volunteers and the community."

She says that she is really enjoying her position and enjoys living in Olds.

"The different people and unique situations gives the experience a different flavour," Roth said. "I really enjoy meeting new people and getting involved in a different community."



Michelle Roth



Phil Corning

Walking at Westglen

Those cold winter months are upon us again. The streets are getting icy and the sidewalks full of snow. These treacherous conditions sometimes make it hard to get in any walking time.

Because of this, Westglen will be open from 7-8 a.m. from Monday to Thursday, for people who wish to get some exercise, but don't want to risk the bad weather.

Phil Corning, the principal at Westglen School, says that this has been an idea that's been tossed around for a while, and is finally being implemented this winter. He says that it's a public building, so why not open it to the public each morning for walking.

"We wanted to make sure that when the winters are tough people have a place to walk," he said. "The community gives a lot to us and we wanted to be able to give back to the community in some way."

Corning also says that with the 1999 Alberta Seniors' Games fast approaching, it will be a good way to keep our seniors in good shape.

Notebooks will be provided to the walkers so that they can log their times and distances. "We are inviting people 50 and over to come down to Westglen, park their coats and put their walking shoes on."

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Museum Musings

By Marg Weaver

Another successful Christmas Banquet is part of our history. We had a wonderful turnout. We are always so glad to see all our faithful friends.

The roast beef and homemade pies were excellent as usual, but I think we should make more lemon pies next time. Lemon seems to be the most popular.

Our auctioneer did a great job of the pies left over and how about those 5-0 Singers. Weren't they great?

Our next fund-raiser will be

the lunch for the Heritage Tour on Dec. 12. Hope you all have your tickets.

We would like to wish our friends an absolutely best Christmas ever. Only one more before the millennium.

Don't forget your memberships if you don't have them. They're still \$5 for single and \$10 for a family.

The next meeting of the Museum Board is Dec. 15 at 7 p.m.

We will be closed over Christmas, but viewing by appointment will be in effect.

Mountain View Lodge

By Annie Caush

Here at the Lodge the renovations are progressing and those who have been staying at the motel are looking forward to getting back shortly to their newly renovated rooms. Those of us who are here will be glad to see the end of it as there has been a great deal of noise.

Last month the Auxiliary hosted the November Birthday Party. Ida Kjorsvik entertained with her delightful music. The Auxiliary has come to put up Christmas decorations. Chic Miller came one afternoon and showed us a video of a horse he trained to do tricks. In hospital we have Dorothy Baird. Sure hope you feel better soon.

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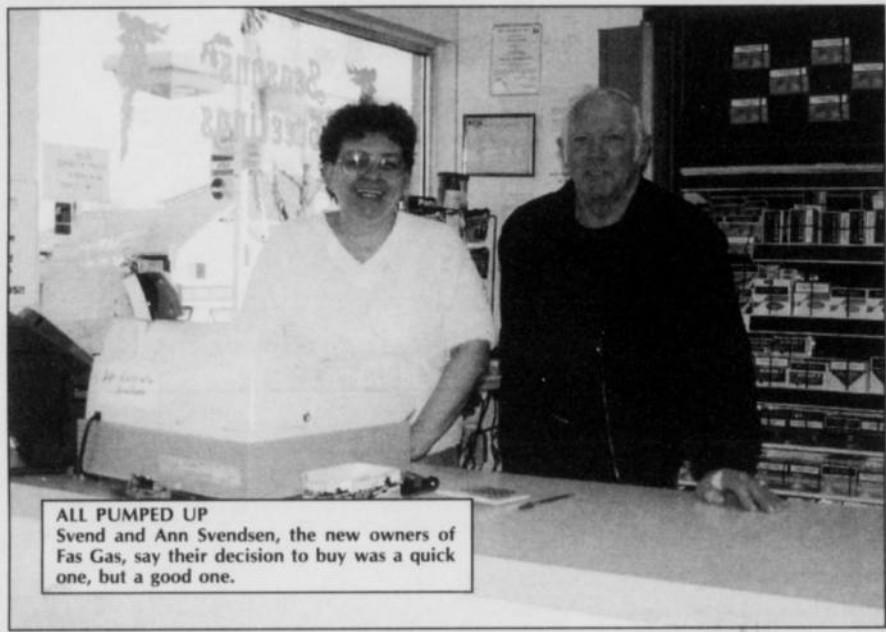
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In Business

New owners are putting the Fas into Fas Gas



By Ceilidh McClurg

The name of the gas station along 20 Ave., has the same ring as the time it took for the new owners to take it over.

Fas Gas.

What started as an off hand comment, and a spark in the chain of thought, ended up one week later in Svend, his wife Ann, and their son and daughter in law, Grants and Lory bought the gas station.

The Svendsens had actually moved to Didsbury from Kelowna, B.C. about four years ago to retire.

In Svend's words, "Retirement is not all its cracked up to be." So he looked for things to keep himself busy.

Svend worked some odd jobs, including pumping gas at Fas Gas over the course of that time, but it was late in September and October that he began to learn the bookkeeping at the station.

"It looked like it was a good business," he says. With a good location on the main drag into and out of town Svend saw how busy the station always was, and he should know because he was helping to get those very customers on their way.

When he heard that the locally owned and operated station would be going up for sale a thought crossed his mind.

Svend went home to his wife and together they considered the idea.

An offer was made.

Fas Gas headquarters had received three offers for the purchase of the gas station. One they rejected, and then they were left a choice - the Svendsen's

won out. On Nov. 15, only days after even considering the idea, the deal was done.

"We had to hustle for the deal, and we've been hustling ever since," says Ann who is also working full time in the store with her husband.

So the former postal worker and sales clerk began the task of refreshing the business.

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They have built a rapport with the staff which they gladly inherited from the old owners, and will be expanding some of their services to add to the gas and diesel station, store, and part time car wash.

One of those expansions will be the automotive parts. Since part owner, Grant, is a mechanic he will taking care of carrying the best and the latest products in that area.

The Svendsen's also hope to open one of the car wash bays full time in the near future.

So they have come out of their retirement with gusto, now what?

The Svendsen's are excited at what the future holds for them and their new business. The couple chimes that they hope to continue to build on the reputation of Fas Gas.

Svend says, "It is good service," and Ann adds, "It is friendly service."

Surviving tight economic times

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By Russel Horvey, Cereal and Oilseed Specialist for AAARD

Commodity prices are down, costs are up and margins have narrowed. What can you do? The year ahead looks more challenging than the year past. Doing more things right doesn't seem too soothing. However, a lot of little things done right can add up a lot of dollars over the course of a year.

When margins are narrow, there is very little room for error. There is very little room for mistakes that can add to the cost side of the ledger. In this article I want to talk about the things that might reduce the risk of adding to the costs of production.

The first thing that comes to mind is conserving every morsel of moisture received for crop production. No tillage and leaving the stubble standing is one of the most important things to consider in conserving more moisture. The crop residue on the surface evaporation and the standing stubble protects the soil surface from the heat of the sun and the drying effect of the wind.

Poor crop emergence can be costly. This past spring tested every principle important to good crop emergence. There was ab-

solutely no room for error. Not one principle could be overlooked.

I think I saw it all this spring. Over packing, under packing, weak seed, poor soil to seed content, seed too deep, seed too shallow and the list goes on. The margin of error was so narrow that emergence on canola seeded only 1/4 inch shallower, went from over 90% to less than 20%. At 1 inch seeding depth the emergence was over 90%. At 3/4 of an inch the emergence dropped off to 20% or less.

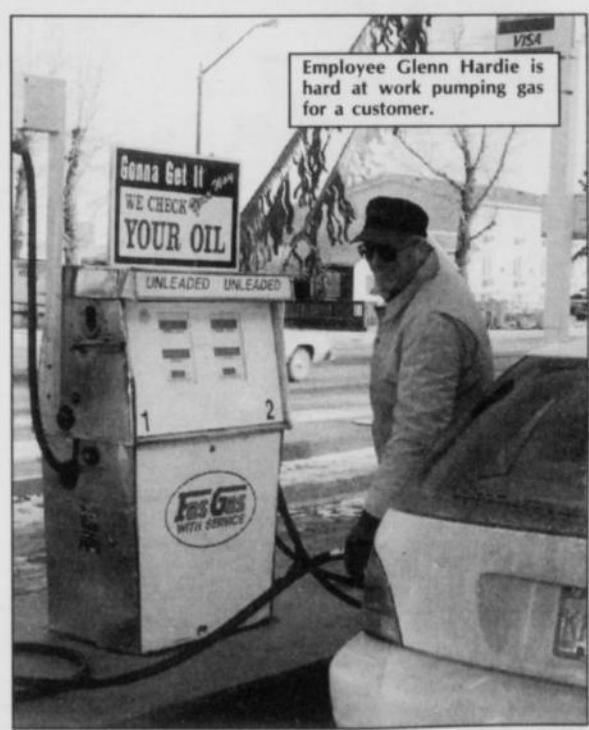
So what can you do? If there is moisture to the surface seedling shallower is always better than seeding deeper. Leaving the stubble standing ensures that there is moisture closer to the surface longer into the growing season. Using plump, heavy, new vigorous seed is always important, but it is particularly important if growing conditions are not ideal and seeding deeper is a necessity.

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When it comes to herbicides, recent research is indicating that early in crop spraying has advantages over later in crop spraying. If spraying earlier, say two weeks after crop emergence, there is less canopy, improved herbicide contact, the weeds are smaller and easier to control. If you can spray at the low end of recommended rates, you can trim the cost of weed control and you can expect improved weed control on most weeds by spraying earlier. Pay very close attention to the herbicides being used, crops being sprayed and the weeds you want to control. Reading the label carefully can not be over emphasized.

There are a lot of other things that could be considered to reduce the risk of increased cost of reduced returns. However, above all else, this next year is not the time to make major changes in your cropping practices. With major changes there is a higher probability of something unforeseen happening, usually reducing profits. This next year is a year to pay attention to detail and to make micro changes versus macro changes. Please feel free to contact me at any time to discuss any cropping challenges that you may have.



Olds Auction Market Report

For the week ending Tuesday, Dec. 1

Cattle 2516 Hogs 215

Butcher Cattle:

C1 Heiferettes 57 to 78; Grain Fed and Exotic 47 to 51
 Older Cows 38 to 42; Bologna Bulls: 52 to 60
 Holstein Cows 38 to 45; Feeder Bulls 62 to 74
 Medium Flesh Cows 42 to 46; Feeder Cows 50 to 60

Replacement Cattle:

250-380 lb steers 126 to 152; heifers 116 to 129
 400 lb steers 125 to 147; heifers 111 to 125
 500 lb steers 112 to 128; heifers 106 to 119
 600 lb steers 105 to 119; heifers 100 to 112
 700 lb steers 97 to 109; heifers 97 to 107
 800 lb steers 95 to 107; heifers 94 to 104
 900 lb steers 93 to 103; heifers 89 to 100
 1000 lb steers 84 to 98; heifers 83 to 98
 Bred Cows 670 to 1240; Bred Heifers 880 to 1300
 Holstein Steers 600-1000 70 to 83

Dairy Barn:

Baby Bull Calves 55 to 135; Larger Bull Calves 140 to 440
 Baby Heifer Calves 50 to 110; Larger Heifer
 Calves 120 to 385

Hog Division:

Weiner Pigs 3 to 12; Small Feeders 15 to 28
 Larger Feeders 30 to 43; Sows and
 Gilts 60 to 90

Sheep and Goats:

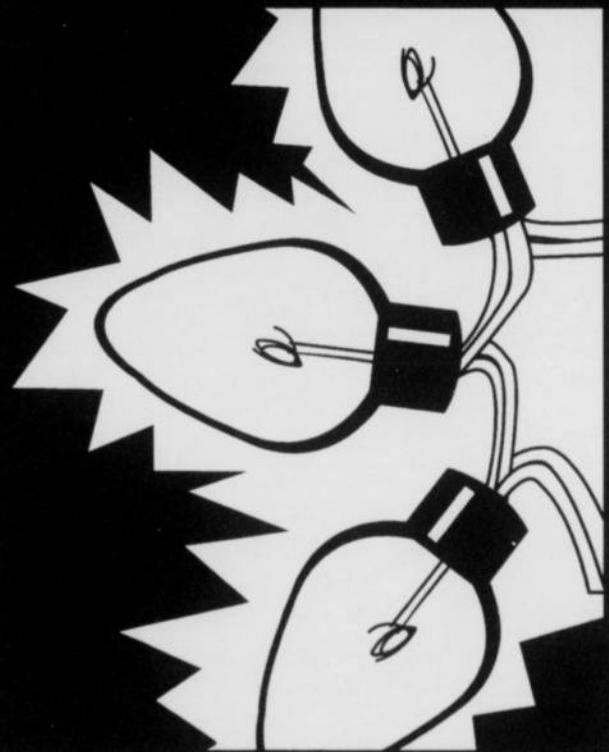
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Cattle industry says agriculture's carbon storage is one answer to greenhouse gas emissions

The Canadian Cattlemen's Association (CCA) endorses the federal and provincial governments' initiative to launch a research project to help reduce Canada's greenhouse gas emissions.

"Thirty percent of Canada's agricultural lands are in tame and native grasses and we know that grasslands store carbon," said Peggy Strankman, CCA manager of Environmental Affairs.

"Canada has some of the world's first research underway at the federal research station in Brandon and the international community wants to see more proof."

"To offset greenhouse gas

emissions, I think fertilized pastures have a significant role to play," said Dr. Alan Moulin, soil scientist with Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada at the Brandon Research Centre.

The objective is to store carbon in the soil that would normally be in the atmosphere

as carbon dioxide.

"We've shown in research, that there is a considerable amount of carbon stored in fertilized pasture. It's up to 30 tonnes over a period of 12 years."

Moulin said the considerable potential for carbon sequestration in fertilized pasture is a

win-win situation for cattle producers.

"They get increased productivity while sequestering more carbon."

"When this occurs, I'm sure there will be discussions between private industry and cattle producers."

Estimates suggest the carbon storage potential of new grasslands is about 0.8 tonnes per acre per year.

This is about twice the estimate for woodlands. Restoring saline or eroded lands could store up to half a tonne of carbon per acre.

Minister should consult elected farmers

The farmer elected Advisory Committee to the Canadian Wheat Board (CWB) has sent a letter to the Hon. Ralph Goodale, the Minister responsible for the CWB. The Committee is asking that he consult with the Directors that producers elect, before choosing the government appointed Board members.

Parliament changed the Canadian Wheat Board Act this summer to allow for the election of the CWB's first Board of Directors. Ten members are elected by farmers and five members, including the CEO/President, will be appointed by the Minister. The Advisory Committee has recommended that the Minister not appoint the five directors until he consults with the farmer elected Board members.

"Consulting with the Directors-elect would be a positive and responsible gesture on behalf of the government, and would strengthen the perception of change and farmer participation at the CWB," said Committee member Bill Nicholson. "Furthermore, consultation would allow the newly elected Board members and the government to fill any regional imbalances and complement the expertise of the elected Directors."

Committee member Derek Deward said, "this gesture can launch the new governance structure at the CWB in a spirit of cooperation, harmony and true partnership between farmers and the federal government."

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Sports and entertainment

Atom C Rebels off to a great start

The Atom C Rebels have started off their 98-99 season showing a remarkable combination of heart and determination. Coached by Bruce Kemmere, the boys have demonstrated that learning the skills of hockey and working those practice drills can translate into a lot of fun and success during games. His team is composed of Miles Bogner, Nathan Crosby, Jeremy Graf, Jay Keating, Joey Kemmere, Mitch McKetiak, Nick Pochapsky, Charles Haskett, Mike Shipley, Jonathan Lefebvre, James Whalen and Colby Wildebrands. His assistant coaches, Mark Lefebvre and Len McKetiak, are in place to help with their spirited practices and encouragement on the bench during games.

The season started off with a game that proves that the line "Oh, it's just the girls," just isn't appropriate in Didsbury. The Didsbury Atom C2 players provided the Rebels with stiff competition and the challenge of beating the stand-up goaltending of Amber Campbell. In a 1-0 victory, the Rebels showed that they had learned to play together as a team in very short order after the start of the season.

Their next game, against Bowden, resulted in a 9-7 loss.

The boys battled back several times to keep the score close against the size and speed of the Bowden team. This spirit was a good indication to the coach and the parents of the heart of this team.

November 7, the Rebels met the Didsbury "Dirty Dogs" for the first time. The competitive spirit always seems to be turned up a notch when you're playing friends and schoolmates and this game was no exception. The Rebels celebrated an 8-2 win and bragging rights for now, but a friendly rivalry has each team waiting for the next meeting to prove their mettle.

A strong Sundre team proved to be no match for the Didsbury Rebels, as the local boys went down to an 8-1 defeat. The visit to the Sundre arena sent the boys home with even more determination to work harder learning those skills that could help them on the ice during games.

Once again the boys faced off against a local girls team, the Atom C4 girls. Since the battle against the other girls team, the Rebels were not taking this game lightly. This resulted in a 4-0 shut out by Miles Bogner but the game was a lot closer than the score indicates.

The weekend of Nov. 20-22 provided the Rebels with their



REBELS RULE!
The Didsbury Atom C Rebels have had an excellent season so far.

first tournament experience of the year when the team travelled to Olds for a weekend of stiff competition and lots of fun. Their first game was against the host Olds team which ended in a 7-3 victory. A strong Airdrie team in game two proved to be too much for the Rebels and handed them a 9-4 loss, sending the team to the B final. In a nail-biter that had the parents and coaching staff in a constant state of nerves, the Rebels lost a close one to Drumheller 6-5.

After a weekend off, the Rebels faced a busy week with three games scheduled. First up, was a visit by the Atom C

team from Olds on Wednesday. This was a makeup game for a game missed during the tournament in Olds. The boys played their best game in the young season defeating their opponents, 13-3. The forwards were flying and the defenders helped to keep shots on goalie, Mike Shipley, to a minimum.

Friday, Olds played host to the Rebels. Once again, the local boys were victors but the Olds team were not generous hosts and the game was a lot closer ending at 6-3.

The long-awaited rematch between the Rebels and their local rivals, the Dirty Dogs, was

played on Dec. 5. The game was everything the teams and the fans could hope it would be. The intensity of the competition took the level of play to a new plateau and the score would remain close throughout the game. The final score was 6-5 for the Rebels, but the Dogs were pressing right to the end of the game. Both teams won the admiration of fans and it's just too bad there couldn't be two winners.

The Rebels are looking forward to the rest of their season and are sure to provide their parents with lots of sporting entertainment in the months to come. Go Rebels!

Female tournament this weekend

Didsbury Minor Hockey is hosting an all female hockey tournament this coming weekend, Dec. 11-13. A total of 10 teams will be participating, four Bantam/Midget and six PeeWee/Bantam.

Along with our three local squads, teams from Airdrie, Okotoks, Lacome and Lethbridge will be participating.

Female hockey in Didsbury has tripled in the past three years, resulting in two Bantam teams and one Midget team. Playing in the 2 & 27 and CAMHA boys' league at the Atom C and PeeWee C levels keeps the girls busy two night a week for practices and a game or two on weekends. Teams are as follows:

Bantam #1: Brittany Altizer, Jamie Arnold, Amber Campbell, Jaqueline Chernow, Terrill Edwards, Bobbi Hopfe, Dayna Moreau, Samantha Keating, Tanya Phillips, Kim Pieper, Jade Stevens, Lindsay Viney, Jessica Watson, coach Sheila Milne and assistant coach Karen Chernow.

Bantam #2: Kim Aarts, Audrey Anderson, Abbie Bogner, Andrea Choquette, Jessica Dietrich, Julie Gendall, Kelsea Keating, Victoria King, Stephanie Lieper, Lindsay McEwan, Courtney Moorehouse, Leesa Peterson, Amber Smithies, coach Dave Peterson, assistant coach Mike Choquette and manager Brenda Choquette.

Midget: Jennifer Aarts, Lindsay Arnold, Lindsay Edwards, Christi Fillmore, Aimee Hunter, Jenny Kohut, Lindsay Meston, Denise Papineau, Michelle Papineau, Chris Pieper, Ebony Roberts, Cari-Anne Viney, Rhiannon Whitney, coach Lyle Roberts, and assistant coach Rhonda Hunter.

Come on out to the arena this weekend and cheer the girls on.

Stampeders run out of town

By Brian Longeway

Ponoka came to town to try and stampeded the Colts out of their own old corral in Carstairs.

The Stampeders' Rae Briggs, assisted by Jodie Currie and Kurtis Tabler, scored a power play goal to give the Stampeders the lead. Ross Neven flipped a rebound over the Ponoka goalie to tie the game. Assists went to Ken Swanson and Ryan Konchuk. Breaking in on a power play, Steven McGinn took a hard shot from the Ponoka blue line that got by the goalie. On another power play, Chris Seib brought the puck from behind the Ponoka net and passed it to Tom Copeland who shot it behind the goalie.

Ponoka's Briggs shot a high puck that dropped in the Colts net after hitting the goalie's shoulder. Currie tied the game with another high shot assisted by Mike Feduk. Jason Haffner gave the Colts the lead after receiving a nice pass to the open side of the net. Assists went to the Neven

brothers, Mark and Ross. Ponoka's Kerry Johnson tied the game on a power play goal, assists to Briggs and Currie.

With Mike Brander serving a penalty, because as the referee said after the game "he must have been near" where the Ponoka player was tripped, nobody scored.

Later in the period Ponoka took the lead on Mike Dillon's goal, assists to Kurtis Tabler and Briggs. Haffner tied the score with six minutes left in the period, assists to Swanson and R. Neven. R. Neven's power play goal again gave the Colts the lead. Assists went to Haffner and Swanson. The game winning goal was scored by Swanson playing his first game with the Colts. Swanson hustled in behind the Ponoka net to take the puck away from the Ponoka player. He tried to pass the puck in front of the net, but the Ponoka goalie deflected it in his own net. Swanson had had several good shots before, but the goalie had made some good stops. This goal,

a couple by Ponoka and McGinn's blue line shot proved that shooting the puck towards the goal often results in a score.

The Colts put the game out of reach on a power play goal early in the third period. Copeland scored assisted by Seib and McGinn. The next Colt goal was another power play goal. In the words of the game announcer, "and a pretty goal it was." Rob Andrews scored his "pretty" goal, assisted by Chad Pappas. R. Neven got his hat trick goal with assists going to Haffner and McGinn. With just 30 seconds left in the game, Frank Helms of a tired Ponoka team scored their third power play goal of the game.

Shawn Tiltgen, the Ponoka goalie stopped 49 shots, Ryan Taks got the win for the Colts, stopping 27 shots.

For reports on all Colts games visit their page on the internet at <http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Prairie/9794/colts3.htm>.

Raiders working hard

By Cassandra Peterson

The Novice Raiders played an exciting hockey game Saturday against Bowden. The kids played like a team with lots of passing, defensive work and some great offensive charges.

Colby Drysdale looked after the net, making some great saves. Brayden Hopfe scored his first goal for the Raiders with help from Cole Sundberg. Jan Milne had two with help from Clayton Lowthor and Andrew Peterson. Dustin Moreau also had two with help from Kirk Heyland and Arthur Haskett. Randy Hunter

also had two more for the Raiders, with Nick Rengli, Stephanie Southgate and Mark Haskett helping him out.

The Raiders played well and each game seems to improve their skills and team work. Bowden had one player doing all the scoring, but our Raiders gave them a run for their money with a final score of 9-7 for Bowden. Keep working Raiders, your turn is coming.

The Raiders don't play again until the Novice tournament on Dec. 17. The tournament will be hosted in town, so hope to see you there.

Bantams down Canmore, 7-6

By Marianne Dawson

On Dec. 6 the Didsbury Bantams faced off against Canmore here in town. The game was very fast and hard hitting. The whole team worked hard and as a result achieved another win. Canmore played a tough game and Didsbury had to work hard to keep the score one above them.

The first goal of the night was made by C. Clazie, assisted by M. Williams, and M. Mantai. J. Dawson got the next one with C. Dorrin and T. Black assisting. L. Spreeman scored the third, assisted by W. Wise and T. Miko.

Canmore got a couple of goals in the second. C. Steadman, who was playing net, made many great saves throughout the whole game.

Dorrin scored a goal assisted by M. Waren. S. Murphy got one and the assist went to J. Jensen. Williams and Murphy set up a nice play and scored. The last goal of the evening went to Black, assisted by Clazie. The final score was 7-6 for Didsbury.

Olds Grizzly's Scoreboard

The Olds Grizzlies played host to the Bow Valley Eagles in Olds on Dec. 4. The final score was 5-2 for the Grizzlies.

The team also hosted the Camrose Kodiaks on Dec. 5. They were victorious again with a final score of 3-2.

The next home game will be Friday, Dec. 11, when the Grizzlies host the Sherwood Park Crusaders at 7:30 p.m. at the Olds Sports Complex.





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Wiberg Eldawy said that everyone who had reserved a condo has received a full refund and were offered incentives if they were interested in any other Medican location.

The Medicine Hat based company has built several projects including Red Deer, Medicine Hat, Lethbridge, Calgary, Saskatoon and Sherwood Park.



Gwen (Wendy) Wiberg El Dawy

Didsbury Golf news

By Marge St. Clair

The annual meeting was held Nov. 16 at the clubhouse.

Manager Al McCoy reported on the years' activities. The financial statement was circulated for all to read.

League reports were given by the league reps and all reported a real busy summer. The plans for the new tournament room were discussed.

Elected for the 1998/99 season were:

Didsbury Tykes #1

December 5 was a chilly game in Bowden, especially for Mitchell Edwards who had a super game in net, making many great saves and only letting one get by in the third period.

The first period started off with pressure in the Bowden end and some very close shots on net. Then at seven minutes in, Mackenzie Southgate rushed in and put it through with help from Shandy Oneshanko.

The team work showed again when Marc Paradis found Justin Gebers, who found the net after some close chances at the 15 minute mark.

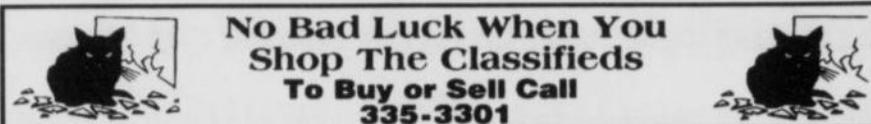
The second period was barely underway when Dylan Hopkins made a nice clearing play to Gebers, who stick handled in and made his way around some Bowden jerseys to line up and score with just under two minutes gone. Just one minute later Gebers pushed another through a crowd to end his scoring with a hat trick. Bowden had a few chances but were denied by the quick defensive plays and some real good hustle.

Chris Chayeski was once again working hard at the blue line, passed up to Chris Beach who was lined up and just missed the post. Southgate was there to pick up the rebound and made it work to end the period.

After a defrost break, the kids were hot and Nick Hobbs, with a nice shot on passes from Curtis Smith and Chantelle Altizer gave us our first goal of the third. Bowden finally found their mark with 15 minutes left. Jesse Gole took the puck out and gave it his best shot that just missed then rebounded to find Cody Ritter, who notched his first of the season. Tyler Hobbs was busy keeping the puck out of our end when Smith got a hold of it and let it go, but was saved and pushed back out to Altizer and with a perfect shot going through the goalie with only seconds remaining in the game.

The team came away with their first win in league play, but best of all lots of smiles on their faces which makes all the cold, sleepy mornings so enjoyable and worthwhile.

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Didsbury Jaguars tear a piece out of Olds team

The Jaguars have had three more games since the last report, with the first one being Sunday Nov. 21, an exhibition game against the other Didsbury Tykes. It was a well played game by both teams with lots of end to end action. Our young Willy Hadway took his turn between the pipes and did a great job hanging in for the whole three periods. He made some great saves and let a few sneak by him, but he had great support from his teammates throughout the game. (Just love those pats on the pads from all you team-mates, hey Will?)

It was pretty even going into the second period with the game tied 5-5, but then the other team poured it on and took the lead and held it for the remainder of the game. It was a big win for the other team, but our guys and gals held their heads up and never quit trying. Our team played with lots of team effort with some good passing plays that will pay off to our benefit as the year goes on. Jason Edwards scored his first goal of the season with lots of hustle and individual effort on his part. Way to go Jason! Other goal scorers for the team were Colbey Dietrich, Zac McCarger and Chelsey Overwater. The game ended in a 10-6 victory for Didsbury #1.

The next time the Jags hit the ice, it was in Olds, and they came out flying and ready to play. It was the second time they had played this team and they knew they would be a challenge. The "young guns" really showed what they are made of and really worked hard in the corners, digging out the puck and allowing some plays to be made further up the ice.

Cody Krebs knocked in a couple from the pipes just for his mom and dad who, by the way, were not at the game and missed seeing it all.

Peter Gwozdecki also came on and showed his stuff by skating hard and hanging onto that puck, popping in two past the Olds net minder. Good on ya, Peter.

Tanner Watt and Branton Olfert worked hard digging the puck out and using their bodies to push the puck out and divert some of the Olds players off their game.

Blake Shields used his skill of moving the puck ahead, which allowed some of the second year players to move the puck around a bit and set up some nice plays for the younger guys to work with. There were lots of scoring chances with shots and rebounds with our guys and gals getting one shot after another but just not quite getting it past the Olds net minder. He was pretty good.

Our goalie lotto winner was Joelle Milne, who was a "stand up" goalie and did her job, never relinquishing her position. She was lots of support out front from our defensemen, with Cory Mitchell really showing what he is made of, giving lots of personal effort to help the team out.

The second year players on the team came through when they had to as well, with Dietrich and McCarger putting out lots of effort and demonstrating lots of

offence and defensive power when needed. Good back checking, you guys.

McCarger was on top of his game, really giving his all both ways and popping in some nice goals, top shelf and past the ready Olds goalie. (Zac must be watching those Oilers on TV with his dad lately). Brayden Overwater consistently showed his presence going after the loose pucks and always ready to pick up a pass, working hard to put one in for his team.

All in all it was a well-played game with the Jags coming out on top with a 10-6 win over Olds.

This past Saturday, the Jaguars came up against a team from Carstairs. Branton Olfert was the man behind the pads for this game and did some great stick saves (pretty big stick, hey Branton) and came out ready to challenge any shot that came his way. He was cheered on by his grandparents and given lots of support by his teammates. Blake Shields had some good defensive moves to help keep the Carstairs team at bay, along with his linemate Cory Mitchell, who got his first goal of the season. Great job, Cory. It must be those new skates.

The team played well together, setting up some nice passing plays and working together as a team. Cody Krebs and Peter Gwozdecki showed their skating speed and did some great back checking to help out the defense.

Colbey Dietrich had lots of energy and did some great drives to the net with his linemate, Zac McCarger who was able to pass it off to Deitrich, who in turn one-timed it into the Carstairs net, not just once but two times. Good team work guys.

Tanner Watt and Willy Hadway did some great moves mid-ice to tangle up the opposition and poke the puck out of Carstairs control.

The Jaguars took the lead early in the first period and never looked back. Late in the third period the Jags had the opportunity to experience their first penalty-killing situation as, to a much surprised McCarger, and an even more surprised mom, he was escorted off for tripping. The decision was made to put out the power line, or more affectionately called, the "Smurf" line. Well, they may be small, but they proved to be mighty and held their own against the Carstairs team until late in the penalty when Carstairs finally popped one in. The game ended in a victory for the Didsbury Jaguars.

Goal scorers for the game were Peter Gwozdecki, Chelsea Overwater, Colbey Dietrich, Cory Mitchell, Brayden Overwater, Zac McCarger and Jason Edwards. Assists by McCarger, Chelsea Overwater and B. Overwater. The coaches and players left the ice pumped and full of smiles, knowing that the time they have been spending together as a team has been well worth it.

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Tykes #1 report

Our team has been busy since Oct. 31 in Sundre, followed by three Olds' teams and on to Torrington. The games have been very close due to the hussle and determination from each and every player.

The players who have recorded goals with their hard work are: Mitchell Edwards, Justin Gebers, Mackenzie Southgate, Nick Hobbs, Tyler Hobbs and Marc Paradis.

We've seen some great action thus far with Chris Beach patrolling the corners and Chris Chayeski defending our zone with his great shot.

Dylan Hopkins, Shandy Oneshanko and Chantelle Altizer have all had super games in net and made many diving and glove saves on the tough shots coming their way.

Some great offensive rushes by Curtis Smith, Jesse Gole and Cody Ritter have shown some terrific teamwork and close scoring chances.

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Standard format Alberta Environmental Protection contracts have been available in the following areas:

- Trades related maintenance and repairs for building and utility operations
- Grass and weed control
- Landscaping
- Trail maintenance and redevelopment
- Road and pathway maintenance
- Building and utility upgrading and construction
- Excavating, drainage control, and erosion repairs, and
- Professional Engineering and Architectural services

Many of the contracts tendered or proposals solicited by Operations Support - Bow Region are from established bidder lists, which have been prepared from responses received to this request.

To be considered on the types of opportunities listed above, or to be included on the bidders list, please forward a company profile which includes, as a minimum, the type of work of interest and statement of qualifications. Please ensure that the statement of qualifications includes insurance, bonding, liability, Workers Compensation Board and safety pre-qualifications of your firm.

Expressions of interest will be received by the Manager of Operations Support - Bow Region, Alberta Environmental Protection, 3119 - 12 Street NE, Calgary, AB T2E 7J2, until January 22, 1999.

For additional information, please contact Mr. Ian Britton, Program Support and Contract Coordinator at (403) 678-9995. To be connected toll-free within Alberta, dial 310-0000 first.

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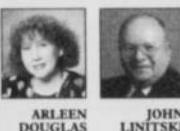
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Rustlers on a roll

By Leah Wygiera

The Didsbury Novice #1 Rustlers have been melting the ice with more hot wins.

On Nov. 14 the Rustlers were at home against Olds #1 Bullets. Olds scored the first goal in the first period. The game was end to end until early in the second period when Ryan Miller scored Didsbury's first goal with an awesome break away. Miller went on to score Didsbury's second goal late in the second, leaving the score 2-1 after two periods.

Awesome goal tending by both sides kept the score close. Olds came back early in the third period to tie the game, 2-2. Late in the third period Miller again managed to break through the Olds' defense to score this third goal of the game, assisted by Jesse Wygiera. With only three minutes remaining, Didsbury's Matt Metka blew by Olds to score the game's final goal, leaving the score 4-2 for Didsbury.

Nov. 18 had the boys at home again against the Vipers of Airdrie.

Miller opened the scoring early in the first period, followed by two goals for Airdrie, leaving the score at the end of the first 2-1 for Airdrie.

Didsbury came back very strong in the second with two more goals by Miller. A terrific play by defenseman Steve McNeil and forward Trent Uhrich allowed a great goal by Dakota Uhrich. A final goal in the second was scored by Metka.

Airdrie came back in the third with a early goal, but the Rustlers didn't let them get very close to the net after that. Four more goals in the third by Didsbury's D. Uhrich, Kyle Gebers, Matt Code and Miller left the game with a final score of 9-3 for the Rustlers.

On Nov. 21 the boys took their winning streak on the road to Bowden. It was a very fast paced game. Miller and D. Uhrich opened the scoring for Didsbury. Bowden came back with one, leaving the score 2-1 for Didsbury at the end of period one. Bowden went on to score two more in the second, but the Rustlers came back to life with five goals in the second. Scoring members were D. Uhrich with three goals, Miller with one and Wygiera with one.

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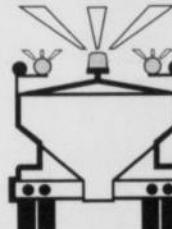
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DIDSBURY

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The Didsbury Boys and Girls Club will begin meeting every Sunday from 12-3 p.m. All youth are welcome to come hang out and play sports.

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ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD

Didsbury Environmental Advisory Board meets once every two months at the Town Office at 7 p.m. For info. call Town Office at 335-3391

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Mom's Time Out and Dads Too. Every Monday (except holidays) 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Nominal babysitting fee. Redeemer Lutheran Church. Ph. 335-4123.

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Christian Women's Club Victorian Tea at 5-0 Club. Dec. 8 from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Featuring guest speakers and music. \$4/person. Call Ethel at 335-4739 or Nancy 337-3200 for more info.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Sunday School Christmas Program presenting the musical Christmas at Lone Star Gulch. Dec. 13 at 6 p.m. Zion Evangelical Missionary Church.

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Christmas concert at St. Cyprians Anglican Church on Dec. 16 at 7 p.m. Everyone welcome.

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King Hiram Lodge #21 has its regular meetings at 8 p.m. every 2nd Tuesday of the month. For info. call Hans Lucas at 337-2250.

O.E.S. MEETING

St. Hilda Chapter #27 O.E.S. has its regular meetings at 8:00 p.m. every 3rd Tuesday of the month. For info. call Marge Steckler at 335-4281.

DIDSBURY MUSEUM

Won't you join us at the Museum on the 1st Thursday of every month from 2-4 p.m. for coffee. Everyone is welcome. We have lots to see, take a look back in history. There is no charge but of course donations are always welcome. The museum is also open on Wed., Thurs. and Fri. from 2-5 p.m. weekly. We're located at 2118-21st Ave. For more info. call 335-9295.

RECYCLING DEPOT

Didsbury Lions Recycle Centre open Saturdays 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Accepting newspaper, office papers, magazines, junk mail, plastic milk jugs (please clean). Phone 335-8193. Use outside bins.

CASH BINGO

Didsbury Elks Cash Bingo every Tuesday. Doors open 6:00 p.m., Nickel Bingo at 6:45. Regular bingo at 7:30 p.m. Didsbury Elks Hall.

LIONS

Lions bartending service, call Rudy 335-9191. Lions grill rental, call Jim, 335-8193, 335-9936.

PLAYGROUP

Didsbury Playgroup ongoing preschool registration, \$50/month. For more info call Joanne at 335-9414 or Mary Lynne at 335-8512.

INFORMATION

Mountain View La Leche League, a group which offers information and support for breastfeeding mothers. We also meet the 3rd Tuesday evenings of each month. Phone 335-8864 or 335-2331 for information and meeting location.

BEAVER'S

Beaver's Monday 7-8 p.m. at Eldon Foote Hall. Kids 5 to 7 years old, boys and girls welcome.

AL-ANON

Al-Anon meetings for families of alcoholics held every Friday at 8:30 p.m. in EV Church, next to Post Office, Didsbury. More info. 335-3146.

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FLU CLINIC

Flu vaccine still available every Wednesday. Phone 335-7292 Public Health Nursing to make an appointment.

ROSEBUD

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Rosebud Christmas Concert Dec. 21. Potluck supper at 6 p.m. Bring main dish and salad or dessert. Santa will be there.

WESTCOTT

XMAS SUPPER

Westcott community Xmas Concert and Supper. Dec. 20 at 6:30 p.m. Potluck salad and dessert. Everyone welcome.

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